http://www.wetip.com/ --- Mike McGuinness

This is an entire website dedicated to aiding law enforcement through an anonymous tip line since and has been running since 1972. Their stats speak for themselves...with over 450,000 anonymous tips resulting in 15, 000 cases solved and nearly 8,000 criminals convicted, anonymous tip lines are a useful tool to snitch on bad behavior without putting yourself in harms way!

<http://www.myteenmagazine.com/anonymous-party-tip-line-aimed-at-teens-starts/> - Tim Murphy

http://www.kare11.com/news/news\_article.aspx?storyid=824431&catid=391

-Monica

This article shows positive points about having a tip line for school safety. It doesn't mention anything about the tip line being anonymous, but only trained professionals answer the phone (it is probably confidential) and help the callers through whatever problems are taking place.

<http://www.dalycity.org/City_Hall/Departments/police_department/contactus/anon_tip_line.htm> - Nick Howe

This is a website of an anonymous tip line in California. Even though we aren't supposed to focus on many specific examples, this website, I think, has a good mission statement regarding the uses of a tip line.

<http://www.brewtonstandard.com/2010/05/26/group-considers-anonymous-tip-line-to-report-underage-drinking/> - Patrick

This article discusses a community that is considering a tip line in there hometown. They talk about setting up a tipline and the benifits that may come with doing so. They focus on keeping your identity hidden.

<http://cinnaminson.patch.com/articles/police-implement-tip-line> - Caroline Congdon

This article is about a town that is implementing a tipline service. It conveys that the town is happy with this new development and says that tiplines overall help police solve crimes. It also talks about the cost of the tipline, which is about $2000 per year.

<http://gemini.gmu.edu/cebcp/Tipline/About.html> - Izzy Duncan

This is the website of a group that is there to help communities set up tip lines. Obviously it's a biased source, but it gives some information on potential uses of the tip line. It also provides some information about the DC area sniper case (from 2002), which was apparently solved with the aid of a tip line.

<http://www.myteenmagazine.com/anonymous-party-tip-line-aimed-at-teens-starts/>

This is the first tipline in VT that uses text messasging to allow minors to alert the police to underaged drinking and partying.

Greg

<https://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/grants/211677.pdf> - This is a study made by a criminologist at George Mason University that talks about tip line technologies and their advancement, and policing. Pgs 6-19, 50-58

Fernando

<http://www.coloradotrust.org/news/grantee-stories/show-grantee-story?id=34> - This article explains a situation where a girl was bullied becuase she told on her friend. If she had known about an anonomyous tipline, this could have been prevented. -Lilly

<http://safe2tell.org/why-call/reasons/> - This article gives examples of specific situations where the tip line helped to curb inappropriate behaviors and keep the community safe. - Lilly

<http://www.nytimes.com/2011/08/31/nyregion/bullying-law-puts-new-jersey-schools-on-spot.html?pagewanted=print>

This article describes how an anonymous police tip line in NJ is working with the new Anti-Bullying Law and is now open to complaints related to bullying. -Maeve

<http://www.nytimes.com/2011/06/21/us/21crime.html?pagewanted=2&sq=debateanonymoustiplinepolice&st=cse&scp=1>

This article describes the shocking growing rate of crime related to drug trafficking in Puerto Rico and how people are afraid to say something. The new anonymous tip line will hopefully help people feel safe and trusting the police. -Maeve

http://www.slate.com/articles/life/flatfoot/2002/10/the\_tipping\_point.html

This article discusses the positive and negative aspects of having a tip line in place. An NYPD detective is interviewed on his feelings on the topic and if it is a useful source for information. The article includes information on the Washington DC sniper case that took place in 2002, which was solved with the help of tip lines. -Abby

<http://www.reuters.com/article/2007/06/15/us-usa-crime-telephones-idUSN1524913220070615>

This article is from 2007 during a time when the crime rate in Boston was going up. A man was murdered because he kept going to the police about crimes. Therefore, a tip line was implemented. - Sara

http://wetip.com/index.php?option=com\_content&view=article&id=494:wetip-prevents-school-shooting&catid=3:newsflash&Itemid=204 - Caroline Congdon

This is an article about a tip line that prevented a school shooting. It also brings up the interesting point that people who call in tips that lead to an arrest or a conviction can earn up to a $1000 reward.

http://wetip.com/index.php?option=com\_content&view=article&id=485:new-wetip-member-city-gets-quick-results&catid=904:promotional-examples&Itemid=356 - Caroline Congdon

This is an article about a town that implemented a tip line and was able to prevent underage drinking because of it. Many members of the town feel that the tip line is a positive addition to their community.

http://www.torontosun.com/2011/09/13/tipline-snags-citizenship-cheat--in-87-minutes

This article shows how effective a tip line can be. The comments on the page are also interesting to see how the people feel about tiplines.

-Dr. Seuse

<http://articles.philly.com/2005-07-19/news/25434339_1_tip-line-electronic-signs-london-bombings>- Dominique

This article explains the effect of signs being put up in 2005 in New Jersey and Pennsylvania in response to the London bombings July 7th that same year. These signs were put on New Jersey highways and around Pennsylania giving the people their tip line numbers to report any suspicous activity with terrorism. The article tells us the impact it made on the people and the state that year.

http://greenwich.patch.com/articles/anonymous-tip-leads-to-pot-bust-on-valleywood-road

This article is an example of a successful use of the anonymous tip line in Greenwich, CT. In this article, an apparent "drug factory" was located in Greenwich, and multiple anonymous tips led to the bust and arrest of three men. According to the Greenwich police, they "received multiple anonymous complaints regarding drug activity at 36 Valleywood Road.". Following up on these tips the Greenwich police was able to conduct video surveillance on the residence, which was able to capture the residents dealing marijuana. Overall this investigation was successful largely due to the fact that there were multiple anonymous tips directing the police to the residents. Without the help of the tips, the police may have never of known about the drug dealers because the public could of not said anything to the police, so therefore the use of the anonymous tip line can be effective to a certain degree.

-Alex

http://www.ksbw.com/r/19411644/detail.html

This article is about the success of a tip line in California has been and how many arrest they have made as well as they are able to reward people for valid information with out risking their anonymity

-Lauer

<http://www.nlets.org/press/the-tech-that-makes-anti-terrorism-tip-lines-effective> - Gavin

-This article discusses the importance of an anti terrorism tipline. Coming from the recent campaign know as "See Something Say Something." This tipline has led to many alerts to FBI officials of suspicious behavior.

Billy - <http://www.brooklynpaper.com/stories/34/37/dtg_crimestoppers_2011_09_16_bk.html>

- This article provides a case where a tip line was used and was proven in-effective and even humiliating for one woman who needed assistance in a brooklyn subway.

<http://www.glasct.org/index.aspx?page=1403> - Danny This article talks about how Glasttonbury is happy to install a tip line for underage drinking. They think it will help combat the problem

<http://www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/psp/4451/getting_involved/452781> - Danny This website gives many tip line numbers and the crime they look to stop.

<http://www.wowt.com/news/headlines/48526937.html> - Danny This article gives facts about a tip line in Nebraska

<http://marketplace.publicradio.org/display/web/2010/05/24/pm-fda-tip-line-tackles-bad-drug-marketing/>

This article is about how doctors can use an anonmymous tip line to report if a medicine is misleading. The article discusses how the anonymity of the tip line can be a disadvantage becasue the FDA cannot get as much information about the drugs and the side effects of the drugs. -Galen Rohn